

Weston Board of Selectmen
Special Meeting Minutes
Thursday, August 30, 2018 at 7:30 pm
Town Hall Meeting Room

Attendance: First Selectman Chris Spaulding, Selectman Stephan Grozinger, Town Administrator Jonathan Luiz, Administrative Assistant Randi Derene and Weston Residents.

This meeting was recorded and is available in the Selectman's Office.

- 1- **Call to order** First Selectman Spaulding called the meeting to order at 7:30pm
- 2- **Pledge of Allegiance-** led by Ted Craft
- 3- **Discussion/decision to hire Laura Cleary as Youth Services Director** – Mr. Luiz stated the Town received 30 applications, which produced 5 finalists. First Selectman Spaulding stated he was impressed with Ms. Cleary's background and felt her personality fits. Selectman Grozinger thanked her for applying. Ms. Cleary stated she is excited about the position. Selectman Grozinger moved to hire Laura Cleary as Youth Services Director pending satisfactory results of a criminal background check. First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- 4- **Suicide prevention week proclamation** – First Selectman Spaulding presented the proclamation to Laura Cleary.
- 5- **Discussion/decision to hire Shawn Amato as Floater** – First Selectman Spaulding stated this is a key position as she will provide help in a lot of different offices. Selectman Grozinger moved to hire Shawn Amato as Floater pending satisfactory results of a criminal background check. First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- 6- **Discussion/decision to authorize the First Selectman to sign a contract with H. D. Segur for broker and risk manager services** – Nancy Cosgrove was in attendance on behalf of H.D. Segur. Mr. Luiz explained the RFP process. He stated that 4 firms replied to the RFP. Mr. Luiz also stated our Insurance Advisory Committee also interviewed candidates, as well as Richard Rudl and Rick Darling. First Selectman Spaulding spoke about how much the town has saved by doing research and shopping for best prices. Selectman Grozinger moved, at the recommendation of the Insurance Advisory Committee, to authorize the First Selectman to sign a contract with H.D. Segur for

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Liability/Auto/Property brokerage services and risk manager services effective 9/1/18 and ending 6/30/23 pending review by Town Attorney. First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

7- Acceptance of Ian Lewis' resignation from the Westport/Weston Health District Board, effective June 30, 2018 – Selectman Grozinger moved to accept Ian Lewis' resignation from the Westport/Weston Health District Board, effective June 30, 2018. First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

8- Discussion/decision to authorize the First Selectman to enter into a contract with a company that will perform a partial roof replacement on the Weston Library Building
This item tabled to the next meeting.

9- Discussion/decision to approve the unapproved BOS Minutes from August 16, 2018
Mr. Spaulding added that a correction needs to be made to the August 16th minutes to show that Selectman Brian Gordon was not present and add Selectman Stephan Grozinger as present. Selectman Grozinger moved to approve the unapproved Board of Selectmen minutes from August 16, 2018, as presented with edit. First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

10- Property Tax Refunds – Selectman Grozinger moved to approve property tax refunds totaling \$1,964.66, as presented. First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

11- First Selectman Updates – First Selectman Spaulding provided an update on the Bobcat situation. He explained that he met this morning with DPW, animal control, school security, and PD and they came up with a three part plan. He explained that first the thicket will be cut back between the library and Hurlbutt playground as well as near Norfield Preschool playground. Second, field cameras will be set up to monitor any animal activity in the area. Third, DEEP will advise what is involved with live trapping and potentially collar them and potentially relocate.

12- Executive Session to strategize about collective bargaining negotiations
At 7:55 pm, Selectman Grozinger moved to enter into Executive Session to strategize about collective bargaining negotiations. First Selectman Spaulding seconded. Motion

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carried unanimously. Jonathan Luiz was invited to attend Executive Session. Executive Session ended at 8:23 pm.

13- Adjourn Selectman Grozinger moved and First Selectman Spaulding seconded to adjourn at 8:24 pm.

Minutes submitted by:

Randi Derene, Administrative Assistant

UNAPPROVED